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JURY CONVICTS KC MAN ON CRACK COCAINE CHARGE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that a Kansas City, Mo., man has been convicted by a federal trial jury of possessing with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Carl W. White, 24, of Kansas City, was found guilty on Aug. 10, 2005, of the charge contained in a July 1, 2004, federal indictment.

White was found guilty of possessing with intent to distribute between 150 to 500 grams of crack cocaine on Feb. 22, 2004.

Following the presentation of evidence, jurors deliberated about four hours before returning the guilty verdict to U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright, ending a trial that began Aug. 8, 2005.

White was arrested on Feb. 22, 2004, when police officers visited his apartment while serving an arrest warrant in an unrelated case on another person, with whom White shared the apartment. In a search of the apartment, Graves said, officers discovered 193 grams of crack cocaine, marijuana, two 9 mm semi-automatic rifles, a 9 mm handgun, ammunition, scales with drug residue on them and \$2,780 in cash.

Under federal statutes, Graves explained, **White** may be subject to a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in federal prison without parole, up to life in federal prison without parole, plus a fine up to \$4 million.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kate Mahoney. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at www.usdoj.gov/usao/mow